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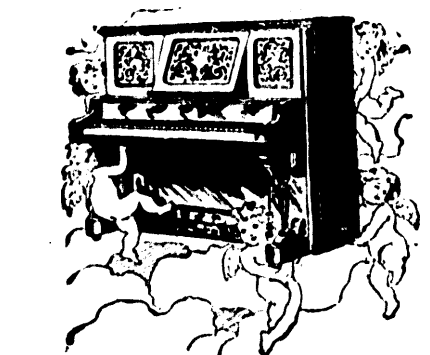
BENTON HARBOR, MICH., SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1897.

Jackson's Toy Store

Water street, Benton Harbor, Mich.
Remember that I keep all kinds of
hunting, fishing and sporting goods
on hand and I will not be under-
sized by any dealer in Southwestern
Michigan. Winchester Repeating Rifles all
sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$12 each. See the
old and new models Quackenbush 22's
and other Target Guns. One Colt Re-
peating Rifle second-hand at \$7, one
Winchester Single Shot Rifle, second-
hand, at \$6, Spencer Repeating Shot
Gun, 8 shot at \$17, and I have Double
Barrel Breech Loading Shot Guns both
10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$10 and \$12
each, Single Barrel Breech Loaders,
both new and second-hand, at \$5, \$6 and
\$7 each, Muzzle Loading Shot Guns at
the lowest prices, one Winchester Re-
peating Shot Gun second-hand at \$10.
Loaded Paper Shells 10, 12 and 16
gauge, a leader at 35 cents per box;
paste that in your hat. A full and
complete line of Winchester rifle car-
tridges at winning prices; 26 different
sizes of revolver cartridges; B. B. Flo-
bert's and Blanks, Lullin & Rand's shot
gun, rifle and blasting powder; smoke-
less powder for shot guns and rifles,
brass shells, loaded and unloaded, buck,
common shot and bar lead; reloading
tools for rifles and shot guns, shot
fixtures; cartridge belts and shell bags;
hunting coats, vests and hats; canvas
game bags and belts for hunters; pow-
der flasks and shot pouches; primers;
snipe, turkey and duck calls; shot gun
shells loaded with smokeless powder;
bottle knives and knives for hunters;
pushboards and felt water proof and
G. D. gun caps; all kinds of new and
second-hand revolvers; my leaders are 32
center fire at \$1.50; 38 center fire at \$1.75.
These guns are of the bull dog pattern,
and they are all right and I am selling
today the 32 and 38 center fire both
blue and nickel 5 and 6 shot rubber
handle rifle barrel, fluted cylinder,
break down shell ejector, 44 line barrel
Smith and Weston pattern for \$3 and
how is that for a leader on guns? Hol-
sters for revolvers and cases for guns
and rifles, dark lanterns for con hunters
and the Morehouse traps for trap-
pers, and compasses, boxing gloves,
iron dumbbells, foot balls, all kinds
and sizes, sling shooting billies and
knuckles, dog chains, collars and muzz-
les.

After Nov 1st I will pay the best
market price for all kinds of raw furs
and remember that I loan money on
all kinds of personal property and
that I have

Charles A. Jackson
Dealer in Almost Everything....



Start the New Year
with a piano you'll find it
easier and pleasanter to live with a
little music to brighten your ways now
and then. Think of the instruction
and culture it will bring to the children
—think how they will thank you for it
when they grow older. Don't think
about the cost before you commence
to worry, drop in and see what we
have.

J. J. OSBORN,
MILLS' BLOCK.

Today is Saturday
And We Keep Open
10 P. M.

If you want a nice
ROAST, CHIX,
FISH,
OR OYSTERS,
We are headquarters.
We Make
a Special Reduc-
tion Every Saturday.

J. J. Miller,
THE MEAT MAN...

A VALUABLE MACHINE.

Some Prospect of Its Manufacture
Being Carried on in Ben-
ton Harbor.

BOARD TRADE CONSIDERING IT

Its Production Would Bring Wealth
to this City and to the Fruit
Growers as Well.

A handful of the members of the
board of trade assembled in the cham-
ber of that body last night and intently
listened to A. W. Coleman, the owner
and patentee of a device for drying
fruit and vegetables, who is desirous of
forming a company for the manufac-
ture of his invention in Benton Har-
bor.

The members became deeply inter-
ested in the machine and there is every
possibility that the same will be placed
upon the market next season as the
product of a Benton Harbor factory.

According to the claims of Mr. Cole-
man and those who have seen its pro-
ducts the device if introduced here will
cause a revolution in the fruit growing
industry. It is recommended by Rol-
and Morrill and other prominent local
fruit growers. Mr. Morrill having ex-
pressed an intention of purchasing one
of the machines.

The device is recommended as a
fruit dryer, a refrigerator and baker.
It is manufactured in all sizes to suit
the smallest and most extensive fruit
growers. Several samples of the pro-
ducts were exhibited to the board last
night and were superior to anything in
the line of dried fruits ever exhibited
on any market. The process does not
detract from the flavor of the fruit and
after a few hours' soaking in water it
takes on the appearance of fresh
plucked fruit and cannot be detected
from the genuine.

One of the greatest features of the
machine is its capability of drying
sweet corn on the cob without destroy-
ing any of its properties. An ear of
the corn, dried by this process, by con-
tact with water will develop in ap-
pearance and taste to an ear newly
plucked from the field, enabling the
owners of the machine to enjoy the
luxury of "sweet corn on cob" at any
season of the year. Vegetables of all
varieties can be converted into a con-
dition in which they will remain until
their use is desired when they can be
used to fully serve the purpose of fresh
vegetables.

Mr. Coleman declared that every
fruit grower who had witnessed the
work of his machine, which is on exhibi-
tion in a room in the Jones & Sonner
block, had expressed a purpose to pro-
vide themselves with one next season
if there is any fruit. The profit of
the fruit grower, it is argued, will be
greatly increased by the introduction
of the device. Mr. Coleman asserted
that had the machine been in use by
the fruit growers last season \$75,000
would have been added to the wealth
of Berrien county. However heavy
the fruit crop fruit growers with the
use of the dryer are enabled to dispose
of it. There is always a market for
dried fruit and the system under which
it is proposed that the dryer be oper-
ated is to pack for shipment only the
very choicest of the orchard products
and dry the second class fruit. By this
method the entire production of the
fruit farm can be consumed at a profit.
If the orchardists follow the rule of
placing on the Chicago market only
the very best of their fruit they will
enjoy the benefit of fancy prices, and
with a method at hand for disposing
of the poorer quality there is no excuse
for shipping any but the best.

It is proposed by Mr. Coleman to or-
ganize a stock company with a capital
of \$250,000 to manufacture the ma-
chine. He has several of the best
business men already interested who
express a willingness to subscribe for
shares. As Mr. Coleman now proposes
the company would not only build the
dryer but would keep a large number
of them in operation during the fruit
season, giving employment to 75 or
75 and 100 men and children. He
would not sell the machines for cash
but exchange them for fruit with the
fruit growers. By this method every
fruit grower would find the purchase
of a machine within his power and the
manufacturers would be supplied with
the fruit necessary to keep their ma-
chines in operation. Of the fruit deliv-
ered at the factory in exchange for dryers,
Mr. Coleman would have it repacked
and the choicest shipped to the Chi-
cago market and that remaining
converted into dried fruit. The superiority
of the fruit dried by his process over
the ordinary dried fruit would command
its sale at the highest price.

There are few locations where the
manufacture of the dryers could be car-
ried on with better facilities than are
offered in Benton Harbor. The unusual
abundance of fruit and the transporta-
tion advantages both recommend this
city. The distributing from this city
of the choicest fresh and dried fruits, it
is argued, would be an advertisement
that would indirectly be a benefit.

Men who have investigated the ma-
chine are all inclined to endorse it and
if Mr. Coleman is not encouraged in
his effort to organize a company the
city will lose an opportunity to acquire
an industry that will bring wealth to
the city and farming community.

The board of trade adjourned with
the understanding of making an in-
spection of the dryer next Monday
morning at 10 o'clock.

Charles Foster was appointed secre-
tary of the board to fill the vacancy cre-

A HEARTY WELCOME

It Was Given the Rev. E. A. Hoff-
man and His Family at the
Home of S. A. Bailey.

RECEPTION A GRAND SUCCESS

It Was Attended by Members of
Nearly Every Church Society in
the City.

Baptists, Congregationalists, Metho-
dists, Universalists and in fact members
of nearly every church in the city paid
their respects to the new Presbyterian
clergyman and his family last night.

The affair was in the form of a public
reception given at the spacious and
elegant home of Samuel A. Bailey, Mor-
ton avenue, and it is safe to say that
nearly 800 people were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Rev. Hoffman
and wife and Miss Smith, a sister of
Mrs. Hoffman, occupied positions in
the front parlor where the guests were
introduced after removing their wraps
upstairs, and then followed a series of
pleasant greetings as one made his way
through the rooms to the dining room
in the basement, where refreshments
consisting of coffee, sandwiches,
chicken salad and pickles were served
by Mrs. E. E. Rouse, Mrs. Polver and
Miss Alice Gilson. The dining room
and tables were beautifully trimmed
and decorated with sinlax and eucalyptus
and presented a pleasing and artis-
tic appearance.

A prominent Presbyterian said last
night that in securing Rev. Hoffman
for the pastorate here they believed
they had a jewel and this was the ver-
dict of those who met him last evening.

He is a man who is widely respected
and who possesses the tact of al-
ways saying the right thing in the
right place. The circumstances under
which he came to Benton Harbor are
peculiar. The Presbyterians had en-
gaged Dr. Fisher, of White Pigeon,
to preach a trial sermon here and a day
or two before his expected arrival a
letter was received from him stating
that he was not feeling very well
and thought it would be impossible
for him to preach here the following
Sunday. A telegram was immediately
sent Rev. Hoffman, of Vassar, asking
him to occupy the pulpit on that day,
not as a candidate but as an accommo-
dation. When Sunday arrived the
Presbyterian church had two
mini-services. At the last moment Dr.
Fisher had arrived and so had Rev.
Hoffman. The sermon was preached
by the latter gentleman and the con-
gregation supposed they were listening
to the thoughts of Dr. Fisher. When
they discovered that they were listen-
ing to the thoughts of Dr. Hoffman, they
were of one opinion that Rev. Hoffman
must resign at Vassar and come to Ben-
ton Harbor, which, after considerable
arguing he consented to do. Besides
being a spiritual man Mr. Hoffman has
great musical ability, being the author
of numerous hymns and the publisher
of several Sunday school hymn books.
The Baptist Sunday school are now
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There is some doubt of the resig-
nation being accepted.

Hardships of Telegraph Poles.

"Yes," said Joseph Donner, superin-
tendent of telegraph for the Southern
Pacific railroad, "telegraph poles along
the line have a hard time. Particularly
in this so arid west, where the poles are
costly and stations are few and far be-
tween. Now, out in the Arizona desert
the poles are played the deuce with gen-
erally. There is a sort of woodpecker
that picks the posts absolutely to pieces,
thinking there may be insects inside of
the wood. They hear the humming and
haven't sense enough to know what
causes it. Then near the hills the black
bears imagine that each pole contains a
swarm of bees and they climb to the top
and chew the glass insulators to pieces;
but the sandstorms are the things that
create the most havoc. When the winds
blow strongly, the sand is drifted at a
rapid rate and the grains cut away the
wood at a fearful rate. It was a common
thing to have an oak pole worn to a
shaving in a day's time, while I have
seen poles just ground to the surface of
the earth during a single storm. Things
got so bad out there that the company
decided to substitute steel poles for the
oak and cedar, but that didn't remedy
the evil at all. The sand just wore away
the metal on each side of the pole until
the center was as sharp as a razor, and
all the Indians used to shave themselves
on the edge. We finally managed to fix
things—just painted the poles with seal
pitch. The pitch caught the sand, and
now every pole is about two feet thick
and as solid as a rock."—New Orleans
Times-Democrat.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at
Hall & Nichols.

Groceries cheap for cash at Dave
Rynn's.

Or for a lodge in some vast wilderness where
I can be alone with a box of Birt's fine candies
that always sell the best.

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than I have here."

There is some doubt of the resig-
nation being accepted.

Hardships of Telegraph Poles.

"Yes," said Joseph Donner, superin-
tendent of telegraph for the Southern
Pacific railroad, "telegraph poles along
the line have a hard time. Particularly
in this so arid west, where the poles are
costly and stations are few and far be-
tween. Now, out in the Arizona desert
the poles are played the deuce with gen-
erally. There is a sort

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THE newspapers have made no puns concerning the St. Joseph Valley sink holes for three days. It appears that these important features of the new road are sinking out of sight.

If City Attorney Sears and Judge Cady refuse to get together and adjust differences it may be necessary for Mayor Bell to appoint a board of arbitration. Governor Pingree, the great arbitrator, would gladly accept a membership on the committee.

GOVERNOR John R. Tanner, of Illinois, now professes to favor the sending of Billy Lorimer to the senate. In the meantime the legislature has put on a Priscilla blush and asked, "Why don't you speak for yourself, John?" It looks as though Tanner would soon come out for Tanner for United States senator.

GOVERNOR Pingree has run up against Uncle Sam and the executive has more trouble. The governor received a lot of money orders made payable to "Hazen S. Pingree." The governor signs his name "H. S. Pingree." Uncle Sam refuses to change his regulations and the governor refuses to alter his usual signature.

REV. E. A. Hoffman got the pastorate intended for Rev. Dr. Fisher. The story is a strange one and reads like the Jacob and Esau biography, with the exception that the eyesight of the Presbyterian was not dim and that Mr. Hoffman did not dress up in Dr. Fisher's clothes and whiskers and used no deception. The story is told in our news columns today.

Most of the senators who oppose the ratification of the arbitration treaty with Great Britain do so, according to the newspapers, because they feel that Cleveland and Olney have mistreated them, and they feel called upon to show resentment. It would be quite as sensible to burn down the capitol for the same reason. The motives and methods which are characteristic of the United States Senate would be regarded as silly in a primary school.

GEMS FROM STATE EDITORS.

Kalamazoo Telegraph: The appointment of Col. Irish of this city to the important position of Adjutant General of the state, is as much an honor to Kalamazoo and Michigan as to General Irish.

Lansing Republican: Governor Pingree, of Michigan, works shoulder to shoulder with Mayor Pingree of Detroit. No political squabbles in the Pingree family.

Detroit Evening News: That friend of the people, Hon. "Ske" Olds could not have done better himself (than Lieutenant Governor DuSant). The play of the anti-Pingreeites is now apparent. Pingree will be permitted to have his own way in the house, but the senate will stand ready to put the duties of a high executive on Governor Pingree as well as begin his 1898 campaign immediately. There is nothing to be gained in frittering away any time on the legislature. If he begins the contest now he may be able to elect a legislature that will be in sympathy with him.

Shame Led Her to Death.

Owenton, Ky., Jan. 16.—Brooding over her shame Jennie Brownings, a young girl, jumped into the Kentucky river near Monterey with her illegitimate child yesterday and drowned. The mother had the measles and may have been delirious, but it is thought her disgrace prompted the suicide. The author of her ruin failed to keep a promise to marry her. The bodies were recovered.

Will Not Insert "Unlimited."

Washington, Jan. 16.—The adjourned Republican caucus yesterday did not result in any change in the bill for an international bimetallite conference as drafted by the caucus committee. It was generally agreed that the phrase "free coinage of silver" practically embraced the idea of "unlimited" coinage, and the bill will be introduced as originally prepared.

De Lome Has No Information.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The Spanish legation has received no information concerning the subjects referred to in a London cable which said that extended Cuban reforms were to be announced on the coming fete day of the king.

Another Grab for John Bull.

London, Jan. 16.—The Chronicle says it is authorized to announce that it has been determined to annex the Benin kingdom and to depose the king on account of the massacre of the British expedition.

Nearly all women have good hair, though many are gray, and few are bald. Bull's Hair Restorer restores the natural color, and thickens the growth of the hair.

Pro Patria, best 5c cigar in the world. Affords a soothing smoke with delightful aroma. Geo. Moeck & Co., manufacturers, Detroit.

"Now good digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Use Washburn's Gold Medal flour—all good grocers sell it.

Hall & Nichols have their new long distance telephone in operation.

PERIL OF FISHERMEN.

Nine Men Carried Into Lake Michigan on an Ice Floe at Menominee.

HARDLY ANY HOPE FOR THEM.

The Thermometer Stands at Zero and the Wind Blowing Lakeward 30 Miles an Hour.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—A dispatch from Menominee, Mich., last night said "To-night nine men are clinging to a block of ice a few rods square that is being driven out of Green Bay into Lake Michigan by a fierce southerly gale. The wind is blowing thirty miles an hour, and carries on a zero temperature and occasional snow squall. The men are fishermen, clad only in the poor too heavy clothing worn while tending their nets and unless the ice has been blown against Chambers' Island or Green Island there is little possibility that they will live through the night. The doomed men are residents of the little fishing village of Menominee, and their wives and children are spending the night on the mountains of ice that fringe the beach weeping and moaning. The missing men are: Nels Mattson, Otto Christenson, Ed Hoffman, Lars Sigurd, Matt Halper, Scott Johnson, John Johnson, Thomas Knutson and Tom Lund.

Four Men Rescued from the Floe. "This afternoon at 5 o'clock a strip of ice about ten miles long, extending south from the mouth of the Menominee river, broke from the west shore and was carried rapidly toward the east shore of Green Bay. In the direction of Death's Door. When the ice-floe left its anchorage twelve or fourteen fishermen from Menominee were on the ice tending their nets, but were so far away from the crack that by the time the alarm had been given the crack was so wide they could not escape to the shore. Signs of distress were displayed, but it was some time before they were discovered, and meantime the ice had swept well toward the middle of the bay. Two yavls were manned and four men were brought to the shore, but the others had rushed to the eastward side of the ice, evidently intending to attempt to escape Green Bay and thus reach Chambers Island or Door bluff, on the east shore of Green Bay.

Loss of the Nine Seems Certain. "As the darkness settled down, however, the ice could be seen carrying well into the lake, an fisherman think escape is impossible. Estimates of the number of men on the ice vary, some saying that fully forty were carried into the lake, but careful inquiry reveals but nine men missing. Beside the loss of life that now seems certain to result from the breaking up of the ice fishermen will lose nets, fish chum and implements valued at many thousands of dollars."

FIVE BOYS RURED TO DEATH.

Three of Them Children of the Matron of the Orphan's Home Destroyed.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 16.—At a late hour last night the boys' wing of Buckner's Orphan's Home, five miles from the city, was destroyed by fire. Five boys perished in the flames, and several others were burned. The dead are: Carlos Jones, Eddie Britton, Milton Britton, Martin Britton and an unknown child. Before Mrs. Britton, the boys' matron, retired for the night she had the boys clean out and prepared a stove situated in the room just under her for the morning fire. The children were in bed. She then saw one of the large boys, on whom she depends regularly for work of this kind, to see if the work had been properly done. He reported that everything was all right and she then retired.

She had been in bed but a short time when she awoke to find the building immediately jumped up to investigate the floor under her feet was almost too hot to stand on. Perceiving this she immediately raised the alarm and runners were sent to all the rooms to alarm the children, but she neglected to assist those who were in her room. After seeing that a large percentage of the children had been rescued from the burning, and that others would be in a few moments, she suddenly remembered her own children, and running to her room endeavored to rescue them.

She was too late, however; the fire had already entered her own room, and although she fought the flames with desperate zeal she was compelled to retreat with the frightened cries of her children ringing in her ears, knowing that they were doomed to a certain death. In the confusion which reigned while the children were being hurriedly assisted from the building many were overlooked, and several of the little fellows were seriously burned. The building with all its furniture was entirely destroyed. The loss is not yet known.

Two Men Killed by a Train.

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.—Benjamin Hande, aged 55 years, and Sebastian Perry aged 5 years, both of Gloucester, N. J., were instantly killed yesterday by walking in front of an express train on the Philadelphia and Reading railway at the Sixth and Columbia street crossing. After alighting from the train they attempted to cross the south-bound tracks and were struck by the express.

Bryan Replies to Criticism.

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 16.—Bryan in a letter replying to criticism on his recent lecture tour, says he does not want to gain public estimation by his oratory, but by his ideas. Bryan thinks his Atlanta speech was all right, under the circumstances, and believes now in convincing people by sound argument rather than delivering a polished and flowing address.

Combination Against Fritchard.

Baldwin, N. C., Jan. 16.—The Populist senatorial caucus adjourned at 1 o'clock this morning after having nominated Dr. Cyrus B. Thompson. The nomination is claimed by Senator Butler's friends to unite Democrats, Populists, friends of the bolters, and some few Republicans against Fritchard.

C. H. H. is "Shooting Over."

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 16.—Governor Budd declared today a legal holiday to celebrate the defeat of the funding bill in the house of representatives.

SIXTY CENTS A TON.

This is the New Scale for Coal Mining in Indiana.

Columbus, O., Jan. 16.—In the national mine workers' convention a proposition to reduce the dues from 10 c. to 5 cents per member was defeated. Locals delinquent may be reinstated by paying two months dues in all branches of the organization, but cannot vote.



PHIL R. FENNA.

until they have been paying six months dues immediately preceding a convention. The convention decided to hold a joint conference with the operators of Ohio and western Pennsylvania in this city next Monday. It developed in this connection that the Hooking valley operators have withdrawn from the Ohio coal association, and while they would not join in the call for the conference would attend as individuals.

Decided on a Scale for Mining. On recommendation of the scale committee the convention decided that the price per ton for pick mining shall be 60 cents in Pennsylvania, 60 cents in the Hooking Valley, 60 cents in Indiana, 55 cents in the Grape Creek (Illinois) district, and the mining rate of 1891 in the balance of Illinois; that the price per ton for loading and drilling after machines in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Illinois, be three-fifths of the price for pick mining, and that the price per ton for entering, drilling and loading machine coal in Indiana shall be four-fifths of the pick mining rate in that state, the prices for all other machine work advancing in proportion.

SCHEME FOR A DEFENSE FUND.

Each Miner to Pay Twenty-five Cents a Month Thereafter.

The committee on defense fund submitted the following report which was adopted: "Whereas, The eighth annual convention of the United Mine Workers of America, after lengthy discussion, concluded that a defense fund would be advantageous to the mining craft said defense fund to be governed by such safeguards and restrictions as shall seem to the members of our organization to be best for the craft, and shall act as to protect all those in good standing in our organization against wrong-doing on the part of their employers, among those safeguards being one which shall provide that its accumulating fund shall not be drawn upon until it has been one year in existence or until it has reached the sum of \$50,000."

"Said fund shall be linked in the name of the national officers and the presidents of the respective districts. When demands are made on the fund the case shall be investigated by the national executive board, who shall submit the results of their investigation to the members of the organization, and the vote of the members shall determine whether said demand shall be granted or not."

"But where the investigation of the executive board is not favorable to the local sub-district or district making the claim, the representatives of said local sub-district or district shall have the right to have their side presented to the members at the same time that the case is presented by the executive board, and said representatives shall submit their case to the national secretary and the secretary shall send both statements to the members at the same time. If the vote of the members be favorable to the parties making the claim they shall be paid such sum as shall be agreed on at the next annual convention."

"The payment to this fund shall not be less than 25 cents per month. No claim shall be valid, however, unless the members affected shall have complied with the constitution in every particular with respect to the suspension of work or of coming on strike. The executive board shall draft a circular embodying these points and shall send it to the locals of the organization, who shall vote on the same and shall instruct their delegates to the next annual convention."

"It must be distinctly understood that no money shall be drawn from this fund without a majority vote of the members of the organization, and when so voted on, the money may be drawn from the state treasury presented to the bank of such member of the trustees of the fund as shall be agreed upon by the next convention."

Labor to Lobby for Legislation.

Pittsburg, Kan., Jan. 16.—A convention of labor leaders of Pennsylvania is in session here, the object being to form an organization for the purpose of taking concerted action in securing legislation beneficial to labor. It was decided to meet in Harrisburg every two years during the legislative session for the purpose of calling the attention of the members of the legislators to the wants of labor.

Dropped Dead While Washing Dishes. Oconomowoc, Wis., Jan. 16.—Mrs. Gotthold Klein, one of the oldest settlers of Delafield, dropped dead of heart disease while washing dishes. She was 75 years of age and had lived in Delafield since 1851.

Wanted.

Customers for corn, corn fodder, potatoes and apples. If you want good potatoes or apples for winter use put in your cellar at hard time prices, we've got 'em. Will sell our corn in the ear or shuck. Inquire or leave your orders at the office, West Michigan Nurseries, 155 Pipestone street or O. C. Howe, San Chalo 3167.

Have you got good teeth? Stick them into Bird's eye lady. Bird always sells it a tooth.

EXPOSED AT NIGHT

RHEUMATISM RESULTED AND THAT BROUGHT SLITER SUFFERING.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED IT.

Sovereign Remedy for Rheumatism and all the Ailments Ensuing from Disorders of the Kidneys—Sliter, of Chetek, Tells How Dodd's Kidney Pills Helped Him.

Chetek, Wis., Dec. 18.—Of course if you want Rheumatism you can get it. But do you know how to get rid of it if you get it and don't want it? That is the question.

Rheumatism springs from disordered kidneys. If you want pure water you would filter it, wouldn't you?

If you want pure blood, you must filter it. That's what kidneys are for—to filter the blood. But if the kidneys get out of order, and don't filter properly, your blood becomes charged with impurities, and wherever they lodge they cause pain.

That's rheumatism. Every disease has its cure. Rheumatism has a cure. It is DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. It cures because it acts directly upon the kidneys. It puts them in order. Then the kidneys put the blood in order, and there you are free from pains and aches.

This isn't theory. Plenty of people have taken DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS and have been cured. The makers of the Pills offer a challenge for the ease of rheumatism, of no matter how long standing, that their Pills will not cure. They cure everybody, old or young, male or female, those who live lives of outdoor exposure as well as those who sit much at home.

Now take the case of Mr. N. Sliter of this town. He writes thus to the DODD'S MEDICINE COMPANY:

"Gentlemen: About 14 years ago I suffered a severe disarrangement of the kidneys which eventually became chronic. Rheumatism bothered me all those years especially in changeable weather. I used a great many patent medicines said to be beneficial in kidney diseases, but got no relief from them."

Last summer I was much exposed to night air, and was worse than ever. I happened to see your advertisement. I think in the Kingston BRITISH WHIG I sent for six boxes of pills. They came by return mail, and their use greatly benefited me from the first. My appetite could be satisfied with anything I desired, and I gained steadily in weight. The six boxes completely cured me, and I am well and hearty today."

Sent for a box of DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS to your nearest druggist, or to the DODD'S MEDICINE COMPANY, 678-642 E. 10th St., Buffalo, N. Y. Price 50 cents; half a dozen boxes for \$2.50.

LAVENDER LEAVES.

The waving corn was green and gold,
The daisies were blown,
The bees and busy spinning wheel
Kept up a drowsy drone,
While Mistress Standish folding down
Her linen, white as snow,
Between it laid the lavender,
One summer long ago.

The slender spikes of grayish green,
Still moist with morning dew,
Emailed a garden with long box
Beyond the ocean's line—
An English garden, quaint and old,
She never more might know—
And she dropped a homesick tear
That summer long ago.

The yellow shoots grow warm and thin
And tell in many a wind
Some want to find a soldier's wound
And some to find the dead,
And Mistress Standish rests her soul
Where graves their shades repose
And violet blossoms, planted there
In summers long ago.

But still between the royal rose
And lady lily tall
Springs up the modest lavender
Beside the cottage wall.
The speller spreads her banner
Across it to and fro—
The ghost of linen laid to bleach
One summer long ago.

—New England Magazine.

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Blood

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8:30 a.m.	St. Joseph	8:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.	St. Joseph	9:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.	St. Joseph	10:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.	St. Joseph	11:30 a.m.
12:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	12:30 p.m.
1:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	1:30 p.m.
2:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	2:30 p.m.
3:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	3:30 p.m.
4:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	4:30 p.m.
5:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	5:30 p.m.
6:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	6:30 p.m.
7:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	7:30 p.m.
8:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	8:30 p.m.
9:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	9:30 p.m.
10:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	10:30 p.m.
11:30 p.m.	St. Joseph	11:30 p.m.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.
Miss. Milo Hyde, of Niles avenue, is slowly recovering from a severe attack of grip and sore throat.
Rev. George A. Sahlin will deliver the first of his series of doctrinal sermons tomorrow evening.
Mrs. Fred Crane, Empire avenue, who has been sick for six weeks, is now able to sit up. Dr. Freeman is attending her.
Mrs. C. R. Hollis who was severely bruised last week by a fall is slowly im- proving under the care of Mrs. George Voshing, a very competent nurse who came here lately from Chicago.
The masquerade ball given in Con- key's hall last night was a grand success, fully 60 couples were in attendance. The music which was furnished by Sterling & Brennan's orchestra was pronounced fine.
There will be an entertainment given in the Fair Plain school house this evening for the benefit of the Fair Plain band. The program is exceptionally fine and will conclude with a dis- play of the mesmeric powers of Harry Darling.
A NEW time card will go into effect on the Vandalia road Monday morning. The morning train will leave St. Jo- seph 15 minutes earlier and the evening train will leave at 5:20 instead of 5:30, 10 minutes earlier. The trains will ar- rive about 10 minutes later than the old time.
Miss Woodruff's choir of young voices will give a special musical pro- gram, at Holy Trinity church tonow- morning. The choir will sing "Sublimate Deo" and for the offertory will be sung the anthem, "The Earth is the Lord's."
F. E. JARVIS has in front of his shoe factory on West Main street, a pair of new boots marked: "Prosperity and McKinley, 50 cents." Mr. Jarvis was one of the strongest silver advocates during the late campaign, and his con- viction that he was right is stronger than ever.
The Niles Star speaks in the fol- lowing complimentary terms of Miss George who will appear at the Univer- sity church next Monday evening with Minna Gordon Gould in an enter- tainment for the benefit of the county humane society: "Miss Gould will be assisted by Miss Florence George of Benton Harbor, with piano accompani- ment. 'This young lady we find is well known by some of our society people and all speak of her as a most excellent musician, in fact quite a prodigy upon the violin.'"
Go to F. W. Jones, 198 East Main street, for horse shoeing. New shoes 25 cents, resoling, 12 cents. 39716

SOCIETY'S CORNER.
What Benton Harbor People and Their Societies Are Doing.
The Ossoli club spent a charming afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. M. Altmendinger yesterday. The topic was Education. Roll Call—sentiment from Keats' Art in Popular Education. Mrs. Gilson: New Aid to Education. Traveling Library. Rhodie Chadwick. Mrs. Hurlbut sang a very beautiful solo. Childhood in Music, Painting and Pictorial. Mrs. S. A. Bailey: Mothers of Great Men. Mrs. George Bell: Gen- eral Discussion, Motherhood and Chil- dren. Led by Mrs. Poole. After the president announced the club adjourned. Mrs. Altmendinger announced that in honor of her birthday refreshments would be served. Following is the menu.
Children Salad, Sandwiches, Saratoga Chips, Fruit Salad, Coffee, Cake.
While refreshments were being served Mrs. Frank Pratt and Mrs. Charles Foster rendered several selections on mandolin and guitar.
There will be a grand benefit for the county humane society at the Univer- sity church Monday evening, January 18. The repository of Mrs. Minna Gordon Gould, of Chicago, who has con- sented to appear in the entertainment, indicates that she is capable of the greatest versatility. Such cities as Chicago, New York and Boston are ac- quainted with her and everywhere the press and eminent people place her work beyond criticism. Miss Florence George and Miss Adaline Graves, who will assist with music, are so well and favorably known that testimonials are not required. Following is the pro- gram:
PART FIRST.
Fantasia Militaire..... Leonard
King John..... Shakespeare
Henry V..... Shakespeare
Legende..... Wienawski
PART SECOND.
His Bitter Shame..... Ian MacLaren
Like as a Father..... Chopin
Nocturne..... Sarasate
Spanish Dance..... Browning
In a Balcony..... Brahms
Romance..... Brahms
Selection from Eugene Field with piano ac- compiment..... Mrs. Gould
Following are the patrons: Dr. E. S. Antidale, Dr. G. M. Bell, Dr. G. J. Edgumbe, S. A. Bailey, Frank P. Graves, C. N. Sonner, F. W. Hall, Edgar Nichols, Charles Foster, Fred A. Hobbs, John Clarke; Mesdames M. S. Owens,

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LARGE SIZE 10¢ STRAIGHT-MEDIUM SIZE 3 FOR 25¢
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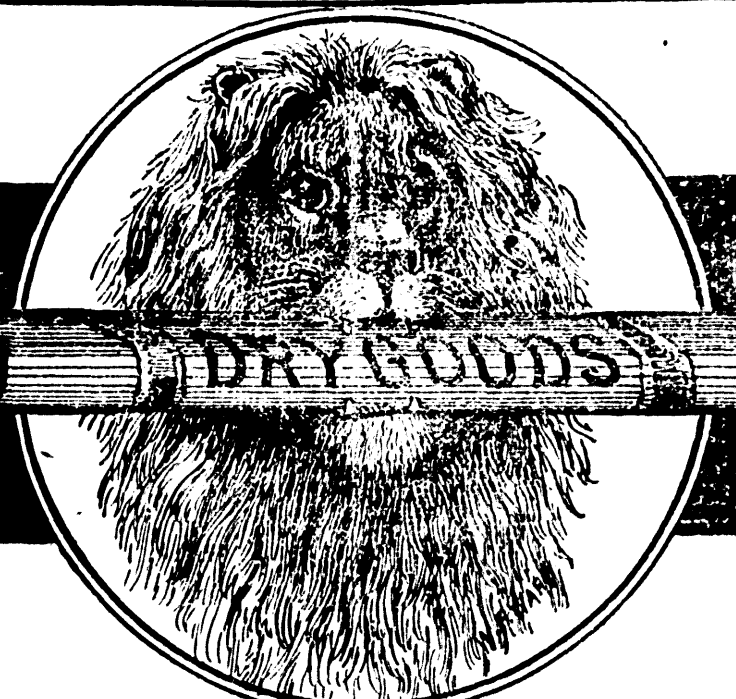
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CURTIS & JENNINGS, REAL ESTATE Insurance, Collections, etc., Notary Public, Room 4, Jones & Sonner block, Benton Harbor, Mich.
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KNIGHTS OF THE MACCAHEES, BENTON Tent, No. 104, meet at Old Fellows' hall, Regular review second and fourth Fridays in each month. R. F. CHADDOCK, R. K.
PIONEER COMMANDERY NO. 588, UNITED Order of the Golden Cross. Meetings the first and third Tuesday evening of every month in Woodman hall, visiting members welcome. R. L. HALL, N. C. Mrs. H. W. KERT, N. C. H.
BENTON LODGE NO. 132, I. O. O. F. MEETS every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in their lodge room opposite the post office. All visit- ing brothers are cordially invited.
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WANTED A GOOD GIRL TO DO HOUSE- work. Must be a good cook. Will pay good wages. For information enquire at 111 Pipestone street.
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REAL ESTATE TO EXCHANGE FOR A stock of goods. Address, Clinton Cribbs, Benton Harbor, Mich.
FOR SALE OR RENT.
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For the next 60 days C. R. Hollis & Son will sell their entire stock at ac- tual cost before buying spring goods. 39716

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15 YDS.
FRUIT of the LOOM
\$1.00.



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25c, 39c and 49c Dress Goods, all at - - 19 cents per yard
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69c, 75c and 85c Dress Goods, all at - - 39 cents per yard
89c, 98c and \$1.10 Dress Goods, all at - - 59 cents per yard
\$1.25, 1.50 and \$1.85 Dress Goods, all at - - 79 cents per yard

Cloak Department.

Every Jacket, Cape and Shawl left in our stock at just exactly half price.

Clothing Department.

MEN'S SUITS.		OVERCOATS AND ULSTERS.	
\$5.00, 5.50 and 6.50 Suits at	\$ 3.50	\$5.00, 5.50 and 6.50 Overcoats & Ulsters,	\$3.50
8.75, 9.50 and 10.00 Suits at	5.00	7.50, 8.50 and 9.50 Overcoats & Ulsters,	5.00
11.00, 12.50 and 13.50 Suits at	7.50	10.00, 11.00 and 12.50, " "	7.50
14.50, 15.00 and 16.50 Suits at	10.00	13.50, 15.00 and 16.50 " "	10.00
17.50, 18.50 and 20.00 Suits at	12.50	17.50, 18.50 and 19.50 " "	12.50
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Underwear Department--Odd lots of Men's Shirts and Drawers worth up to 50c at 19c. Ladies' Underwear sold at 30c, 35c and 45c to close at 25c each.

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SECOND YEAR—NO. 401.

BENTON HARBOR, MICH., SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1897.

A large bankrupt stock of SHOT GUNS and RIFLES of all kinds for sale at

Jackson's Toy Store

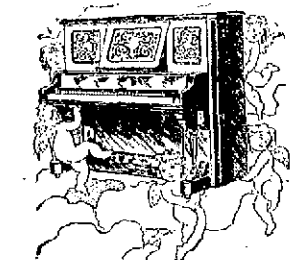
Water street, Benton Harbor, Mich. Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Mich. Winchester Repeating Rifles all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$14 each. See the old and new models Quackenbush 22's and other Target Guns. One Colt Repeating Rifle second-hand at \$7, one Winchester Single Shot Rifle, second-hand, at \$6, Spencer Repeating Shot Gun, 8 shot at \$17, and I have Double Barrel Breech Loading Shot Guns both 10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$11 and \$12 each. Single Barrel Breech Loaders, both new and second-hand, at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each. Muzzle Loading Shot Guns at the lowest prices, one Winchester Repeating Shot Gun second-hand at \$10, Loaded Paper Shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 35 cents per box; game that in your bag. A full and complete line of Winchester rifle cartridges at winning prices; 20 different sizes of revolver cartridges; B & B, Florio's and Blanks, Lullin & Rand shot gun, rifle and blasting powder; smokeless powder for shot guns and rifles, brass shells, loaded and unloaded, buck, common shot and bar lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, shot gun fixtures; cartridge belts and shell bags; hunting coats, vests and hats; canvas game bags and bolts for hunters; powder flasks and shot pouches; primers; snipe, turkey and duck calls; shot gun shells loaded with smokeless powder; partridge and fox wad; water proof and G. D. gun caps; all kinds of new and second-hand revolving leaders at \$2 center fire at \$1.50; 38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are of the bull dog pattern, and they are all rights and I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire both blue and nickel 6 and 8 shot rubber band rifle barrel, double cylinder, break down shell ejector, 4 inch barrel Smith and Wesson pattern for \$3, and now is that for a leader on guns. Dealers for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark hunters for roon hunters and the Morhouse traps for trappers, and compasses, boxing gloves, iron dumbbells. Foot balls all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckels, dog chains, collars and muzzles.

After Nov 1st I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property and that I have

A large grain sack full of unredeemed WATCHES of all kinds..

62 solid gold rings. Banjos, guitars and violins at one-third their cost. Trading and look over my watch stock. I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods for 19 years in Benton Harbor. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold.

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Start the New Year

with a piano—you'll find it easier and pleasanter to live with a little music to brighten your ways now and then. Think of the instruction and culture it will bring to the children. Think how they will thank you for it when they grow older. Don't think about the cost—before you commence to worry, drop in and see what we have.

J. J. OSBORN,
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Today is Saturday

And We Keep Open

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If you want a nice

ROAST, CHIX,
FISH,
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THE MEAT MAN...

A VALUABLE MACHINE.

Some Prospect of Its Manufacture Being Carried on in Benton Harbor.

BOARD TRADE CONSIDERING IT

Its Production Would Bring Wealth to this City and to the Fruit Growers as Well.

A handful of the members of the board of trade assembled in the chamber of that body last night and intently listened to A. W. Coleman, the owner and patentee of a device for drying fruit and vegetables, who is desirous of forming a company for the manufacture of his invention in Benton Harbor.

The members became deeply interested in the machine and there is every possibility that the same will be placed upon the market next season as the product of a Benton Harbor factory. According to the claims of Mr. Coleman and those who have seen its products the device if introduced here will cause a revolution in the fruit growing industry. It is recommended by Roland Morrill and other prominent local fruit growers. Mr. Morrill having expressed an intention of purchasing one of the machines.

The device is recommended as a fruit dryer, a refrigerator and baker. It is manufactured in all sizes to suit the smallest and most extensive fruit growers. Several samples of the products were exhibited to the board last night and were superior to anything in the line of dried fruits ever exhibited on any market. The process does not detract from the flavor of the fruit and after a few hours' soaking in water it takes on the appearance of fresh plucked fruit and cannot be detected from the genuine.

One of the greatest features of the machine is its capability of drying sweet corn on the cob without destroying any of its properties. An ear of the corn, dried by this process, by contact with water will develop in appearance and taste to one nearly placed from the field, enabling the owners of the machine to enjoy the luxury of "sweet corn on the cob" at any season of the year. Vegetables of all varieties can be converted into a condition in which they will remain until there is a desire when they can be used to fully serve the purpose of fresh vegetables.

Mr. Coleman declared that every fruit grower who had witnessed the work of his machine, which is on exhibition in a room in the Jones & Sommer block, had expressed a purpose to provide themselves with one next season if there is any fruit. The profit of the fruit grower, it is argued, will be greatly increased by the introduction of the device. Mr. Coleman asserted that had the machine been in use by the fruit growers last season \$150,000 would have been added to the wealth of Benton county. However heavy the fruit crop, fruit growers with the use of the dryer are enabled to dispose of it. There is always a market for dried fruit and the system under which it is proposed that the dryer be operated is to pack for shipment only the very choicest of the orchard products and dry the second class fruit. By this method the entire production of the fruit crop can be consumed at a profit, the orchardist following the rule of planting on the Chicago market only the very best of their fruit, they will enjoy the benefit of fancy prices, and with a method at hand for disposing of the poorer quality there is no excuse for shipping any but the best.

It is proposed by Mr. Coleman to organize a stock company with a capital stock of \$20,000 to manufacture the machine. He has several of the best business men already interested who express a willingness to subscribe for shares. As Mr. Coleman now proposes the company would not only build the dryer but would keep a large number of them in operation during the fruit season, giving employment to between 10 and 15 men and children. He would not sell the machines for cash but exchange them for fruit with the fruit growers. By this method every fruit grower would find the purchase of a machine within his power and the manufacturers would be supplied with the fruit necessary to keep their machines in operation. Of the fruit delivered at the factory in exchange for dryers, Mr. Coleman would have it repacked and the choicest shipped to the Chicago market and that remaining converted into dried fruit. The superiority of the fruit dried by his process over the ordinary dried fruit would command its sale at the highest price.

There are few locations where the manufacture of the dryers could be carried on with better facilities than are offered in Benton Harbor. The unusual abundance of fruit and the transportation advantages both recommended this city. The distributing from this city of the choicest fresh and dried fruits, it is argued, would be an advertisement that would indirectly be a benefit.

Men who have investigated the machine are all inclined to endorse it and if Mr. Coleman is not encouraged in his effort to organize a company, the city will lose an opportunity to acquire an industry that will bring wealth to the city and adjoining community.

The board of trade adjourned with the understanding of making an inspection of the dryer next Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Charles Foster was appointed secretary of the board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of C. B. Winslow.

Treasurer Brown reported a balance of \$20 in the treasury.

The bylaws were amended as to provide that the board of directors be empowered to fill any vacancy in that body from members of the board of trade.

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH. J. H. Gilson, pastor. Preaching services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning devotion at 9 o'clock. Church meeting at 7:30 p. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Special prayer meeting every Tuesday evening at private residences. All cordially invited.

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First Baptist Church. Rev. George H. Smith, pastor. The morning topic will be "The Principles of Christian Service." Bible services will be held in the evening. Sunday school meeting at 10 o'clock. Church meeting at 7:30 p. m. Young People's meeting, 5:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH. J. H. Gilson, pastor. Preaching services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning devotion at 9 o'clock. Church meeting at 7:30 p. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Special prayer meeting every Tuesday evening at private residences. All cordially invited.

First Presbyterian Church. Rev. W. E. Brooks, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 noon. Junior Bible class at 2 p. m. Morning devotion at 9 o'clock. Church meeting at 7:30 p. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Special prayer meeting every Tuesday evening at private residences. All cordially invited.

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GOINES IN COURT.

He Is Having a Hearing On the Charge of Assault.

Thomas Goines, who is charged with assaulting Charles Kolbowski with an ax last Wednesday evening is having his preliminary hearing before Justice Cady today. He was brought over from the county jail this morning by Turney Fisher who had him handcuffed.

Prosecuting Attorney Valentine appears for the people and F. L. Hammond for the defendant. The testimony is being taken in script by Justice Cady.

The examination was concluded late this afternoon and Goines was held to the circuit court in the sum of \$500. He will be arraigned in the circuit court Monday.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

Owosso claims the smallest, new city in the state. He is Belford Kroboged.

There is talk of making the narrow gauge road at South Haven a broad gauge and extending it to Holland.

Yesterday the sheriff seized on the plant of South Haven's semi-weekly paper.

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